

<b>REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) Transmittal</b>	Application #	09/700,185
	Confirmation #	2588
	Filing Date	December 18, 2000
	First Inventor	ARAKI
	Art Unit	1745
	Examiner	Ruthkosky, Mark
	Docket #	P06971US00/BAS

**This is a Request for Continued Examination under 37 CFR § 1.114 of the above-identified application.**  
*RCE practice does not apply to any utility application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application.*

**Submission required  
under 37 CFR § 1.114**

*Note: If the RCE is proper, any previously filed unentered amendments and amendments enclosed with the RCE will be entered in the order in which they were filed unless applicant instructs otherwise (with a separate Request).*

- ☒ **Previously submitted.** *If a final Office action is outstanding, any amendments filed after the final Office action may be considered by the PTO as a submission even if this line is not checked.*
- ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on
- ☒ Other: Amendment After Final filed on March 5, 2007
- ☐ **Enclosed**
- ☐ Amendment/Reply ☐ Information Disclosure Citation
- ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) ☐ Other:

**Miscellaneous**

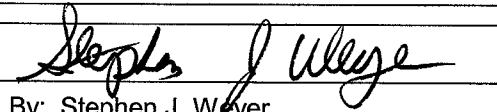
- ☐ **Suspension of action** on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR § 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months (*Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37CFR§ 1.17(i) required*)
- ☐ Other:

**FEES** calculated below (after reduction for an amendment if noted above).

	NOW	Basic/Previous Number	Present Extra	Rate	\$
<input type="checkbox"/> TOTAL CLAIMS	43	- 45		X \$ 50 =	
<input type="checkbox"/> INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	4	- 4		X \$ 200 =	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> RCE fee required under 37 CFR § 1.17(e)				\$ 790 =	790
<b>TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS =</b>					790
<input type="checkbox"/> Reduction by ½ for small entity status of applicant					-
<b>SUBTOTAL =</b>					790
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Extension of time fee				+ \$ =	330
<input type="checkbox"/> Other fee for				+ \$ =	
<b>TOTAL OF ALL FEES =</b>					<b>1120</b>

- ☒ Payment of \$ 1120 is made by credit card (Form PTO-2038 is enclosed).
- ☒ The Director is authorized to charge any fee, additional fee or extension fee due in connection herewith to Deposit Account No. 12-0555:
- (1) if no payment or an insufficient payment is enclosed and a fee is due in connection herewith; or
- (2) if no petition for extension of time is enclosed but an EOT is required - and in this event, applicant hereby petitions under 37 CFR 1.136(a) for an extension of time of as many months as are required to render this submission timely.

Date: March 30, 2007

  
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